DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage of fodder, etc.

BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

		Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.	*Current.*	
Prices of food grains—Rice	...	7·2	*5¾ to 6	seers per rupee.
Ragi	...	18·1	10¾ to 11¼	

* Rangoon rice, 2nd sort, is sold at 8 seers per rupee.

Agricultural operations.—Collection of manure.

Cattle are in good condition. Water and fodder sufficient.

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Market generally well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operation.*—Ploughing and manuring have commenced in parts of the district.

Standing crop.—Condition of sugar-cane is fair in some places in the Hoskote Taluk; good in the Magadi and Kankanhalli Taluks; moderate in the Bangalore and Nelamangala Taluks; and withering for want of water in some places of the Hoskote and Devanhalli Taluks.

Crop sown.—Sugar-cane is being planted in some places in the Nelamangala Taluk.

Crop harvested.—Sugar-cane is being milled in some places in the Hoskote and Anekal Taluks.

10. Prospects of the season are reported to be encouraging in the Hoskote Taluk, moderate in the Bangalore, Nelamangala, Kankanhalli, Magadi and Channapatna Taluks and not discouraging in the Closepet Sub-Taluk. Scarcity is felt in some villages of the Bangalore, Hoskote, Dodballapur and Devanhalli Taluks. Difficulty for water is felt in parts of the Magadi and Anekal Taluks. Some of the tanks in Magadi and Nelamangala have received water-supply for some months.

Number of persons employed in tank repair works are.—Fifty-one in the Hoskote Taluk, 339 in the Dodballapur Taluk, 1,953 in the Nelamangala Taluk, 80 in the Magadi Taluk and 201 in the Devanhalli Taluk.

Number of persons in receipt of gratuitous relief are.—Three hundred and sixty-four in the Bangalore Taluk, 115 in the Dodballapur Taluk, 105 in the Nelamangala Taluk and 30 in the Magadi Taluk.

11. Except for small-pox in some parts of the Hoskote and Magadi Taluks and the Closepet Sub-Taluk, measles in the Hoskote and Anekal Taluks and hooping cough in the Magadi Taluk, public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga" in some places in the Hoskote, Nelamangala, Kankanhalli and Magadi Taluks and in a severe form in the Anekal Taluk; "Galisake Roga" in the Hoskote Taluk and "Neradi Roga" in the Anekal Taluk, are still prevailing. Water and fodder are available for the present. But well water is being used for cattle in parts of the Magadi, Channapatna, Anekal, Hoskote and Devanhalli Taluks.

KOLAR.

8. Market moderately supplied.

Agricultural operations.—Lands are being ploughed in parts of the Bowringpet and Mulbagal Taluks and the Gudibanda Sub-Taluk.

9. *Standing crops* under *kapile* wells are reported to be in fairly good condition.

Crop sown.—Sugar-cane in the Bowringpet and Goribidnur Taluks.

Crops harvested.—Sugar-cane in the Bowringpet and Sidlaghatta Taluks; Bengal gram in the Mulbagal Taluk; and jolum in the Bagepalli and Goribidnur Taluks.

Outturn of harvest.—

Sugar-cane in the Bowringpet and Sidlaghatta Taluks, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Bengal gram in the Mulbagal Taluk, yield from 2 to 4 annas.
Jolum in the Bagepalli and Goribidnur Taluks, yield from 2 to 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Prices of food stuffs still continue to be very high. The recent rainfall throughout the district has improved the condition to some extent; but more rain is still wanted. The measures adopted to relieve distress in the affected parts of the district are still in progress.

11. Except for plague in one village in the Kolar Taluk, cholera in parts of the same taluk and small-pox in parts of the Bowringpet, Chintamani, Sidlaghatta and Srinivaspur Taluks, public health generally good.

12. Rinderpest is reported to be still prevailing in parts of the Bowringpet, Mulbagal, Bagepalli and Srinivaspur Taluks and in parts of the Gudibanda Sub-Taluk. Water and fodder are sufficient.

TUMKUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands are being ploughed and manured.

Standing crops.—Paddy and cholum under wells in the Maddagiri and Pavagada Taluks, and cholum in tank beds in the Sira and Tiptur Taluks, are reported to be withering. The rest are in moderately good condition.

Crops sown.—Sugar-cane in the Maddagiri Taluk and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk cholum, green gram and black gram in the Chiknayakanhalli Taluk; and cholum, til and gid ragi in the Gubbi Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Sugar-cane in the Tumkur and Gubbi Taluks and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk; cholum and wheat in the Maddagiri Taluk; nati ragi, paddy, cholum and Bengal gram in the Sira Taluk; and paddy, cholum and cotton in the Pavagada Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season "appear to be encouraging, but are still uncertain." Rain has fallen in many parts of the district and agricultural operations have commenced. General condition of the district is not quite satisfactory. Works are still in progress and gratuitous relief is being continued. Prices of food grains are high.

11. Except for cholera, plague and small-pox in certain villages of the district, public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga," "Chappe Roga" and "Foot and mouth disease" are prevailing in some parts of the district. Scarcity for water and fodder is being felt in many parts of the district. Temporary wells are being dug in several villages to mitigate water scarcity. Fodder for cattle is being imported into certain villages of the Sira, Tiptur and Kunigal Taluks and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. Date leaves are also being used for the same purpose in the taluks of Chiknayakanhalli and Sira. Twenty-four cattle in the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk have come back from forests.

MYSORE.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands all over the district are being ploughed and sown. *Standing crops* are reported to be in fair condition. But sugar-cane in parts of the Krishnarajpete Taluk is reported to be in need of rain.

Crops sown.—Cholum in all the taluks, except the Hunsur, Yedatore and Heggaddevankote Taluks; ragi, ballar, horse gram, black gram, green gram and halasandi in parts of the Mysore Taluk; castor in parts of the Mysore and Chamrajnagar Taluks; togari in parts of the Mysore, Chamrajnagar, T.-Narsipur and Krishnarajpete Taluks; gingelly in parts of the Mysore, Manjarabad, T.-Narsipur, Krishnarajpete and Nagamangala Taluks; cotton in parts of the Chamrajnagar Taluk; kambu in parts of the Mandya Taluk; these are being sown. Sugar-cane is being planted in parts of the Malvalli Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Paddy under Ramasamudra and Kodimale tanks in the Chamrajnagar Taluk and cotton in parts of the Nanjangud Taluk, are being harvested.

Estimated outturn.—Chamrajnagar Taluk, paddy yield 4 annas.

10. Prospects of the season, though indifferent in parts, are getting more hopeful with the recent rains. Food stuffs are available in all the taluks, except Nagamangala, where they are reported to have run short. One hundred and seven persons in the Mandya Taluk are reported to be under gratuitous relief. It is reported that up to the end of the last week in the Krishnarajpete Taluk, Rs. 437-1-2 have been paid to coolies employed on tank works and that ragi worth Rs. 359-12-4 has been gratuitously distributed to relieve distress.

11. Except for plague in parts of the Mysore, Hunsur and Nanjangud Taluks, cholera in parts of the Hunsur Taluk and small-pox in parts of the Malvalli Taluk, public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga" and "Chappe Roga" are still prevailing among cattle in parts of the district. Some tanks in parts of the Mandya Taluk and Narasambudi tank in the Nanjangud Taluk have received from the recent showers a small supply of water that would last for 15 and 10 days, respectively. Temporary wells are being sunk wherever difficulty for water is felt. Fodder is scarce in parts of the Mandya Taluk. Three hundred and twenty head of cattle are reported to have come to the Hunsur Taluk from the Hole-Narsipur Taluk for grazing.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands are being ploughed in all parts of the district, and in some parts they are being manured and made ready for sowing.

Standing crops.—Sugar-cane is withering in the Hassan Taluk. It is in fair condition in the Hole-Narsipur Taluk and the Alur Sub-Taluk. The recent rains have revived it in the Belur and Channarayapatna Taluks. Kar paddy is in fair condition in the Manjarabad Taluk.

Crop sown.—Kar paddy was sown in parts of the Manjarabad and Belur Taluks.

Outturn of harvest.—Sugar-cane in the Hole-Narsipur Taluk, yield from 8 to 12 annas.

10. Good rain is reported to have fallen in the Channarayapatna Taluk and some tanks have received supply of water for two months. Prospects have also somewhat improved in the other affected parts of the district. Food stuffs are available.

11. Except for fever and dysentery in parts of the Manjarabad Taluk, cholera in parts of the Arkalgud Taluk, and small-pox and measles in parts of the Hole-Narsipur Taluk, public health generally good.

12. Cattle are generally fair. But "Dod Roga" continues still in parts of the Arsikere and Manjarabad Taluks and parts of the Alur Sub-Taluk. Fodder is available in limited quantities. Paddy straw continues to be imported into the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks. Date and sugar-cane leaves are also being used in the latter taluk. It is reported that a sort of "Diarrhœa" has attacked cattle brought back into the Channarayapatna Taluk from the malnad. The recent rainfall has replenished the supply of water to some extent.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands are being ploughed and manured in all the taluks of the district.

Standing crop.—Sugar-cane throughout the district is in moderately good condition; it requires more rain in the maidan taluks.

Crop sown.—Sugar-cane in some parts of the Shimoga and Nagar Taluks.

Crop harvested.—Nil.

10. Prospects of the season uncertain. Food stuffs are available but their prices continue to be high.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Water and fodder are available for the present. "Dod Roga" is prevalent in some parts of the Shimoga, Channagiri and Honnali Taluks.

KADUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Ploughing in Chikmagalur, Mudgere, Yedahalli and Sringeri are going on.

Standing crops.—

In Chikmagalur—Kar paddy and sugar-cane.

In Koppa—Pepper and sugar-cane.

In Mudgere—Kode paddy.

These are in unsatisfactory condition, owing to want of timely and sufficient rain.

Crops harvested and their yield.—

In Koppa.—Pepper and sugar-cane, on a small scale.

10. Prospects continue to be the same as in the previous weeks. But during the week there was slight rain in all the taluks, except Kadur and Tarikere. People are anxiously looking forward for more rain throughout the district. Food stuffs are available, but their prices continue to be high.

11. Except for plague in Sollebile village, Koppa Taluk and cholera in a few villages of the Sringeri Jahghir, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy. "Dod Roga" in the Chikmagalur Taluk and "Foot and mouth disease" in the Tarikere Taluk, are reported to be declining. Water and fodder are available in the malnad ; but difficulty is felt in procuring them in the maidan parts of the district.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops*, such as, paddy, jola, navane, samé, cotton and sugar-cane in some parts under wells and channels are reported to be in fairly good condition.

Crop sown.—Nil.

Crops harvested and their yield.—

Navane and jola in the Challakere Taluk, yield 4 annas.

Paddy in the Holalkere Taluk, yield 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair, except in parts of the Chitaldrug, Challakere, Hiriyur, Davangere, Jagalur and Hosdurga Taluks. Food stuffs available. Report continues to be the same as in the previous weeks as regards the demand for labour and the measures adopted to relieve the distress in the affected parts of the district. Owing to there having fallen recently small showers of rain, both in the taluk head-quarters and in some of the interior villages, raiyats have begun to prepare their lands. They are expecting more rain for sowing operations.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy, except in parts of the Chitaldrug, Holalkere, Davangere and Hosdurga Taluks, where Rinderpest prevails. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Chitaldrug, Challakere, Hiriyur, Davangere, Molakalmuru and Hosdurga Taluks.

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